



# Idaho Crop Progress and Condition

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## Fair Weather Continues

### Agricultural Summary

Temperatures across the state ranged from 2 degrees below normal to 5 degrees above normal for the week. Precipitation was reported in all four districts. Major agricultural activities included harvesting small grains and hay and irrigating.

### Soil Moisture and Days Suitable for Fieldwork

Topsoil moisture is at 16% very short, 37% short, 47% adequate, and 0% surplus. Statewide, Idaho farmers had an average of 6.9 days suitable for fieldwork last week.

### Field Crop Report

The Clearwater County extension educator reports favorable weather has advanced crop progress to normal conditions. The Cassia County extension educator reports 4<sup>th</sup> cutting of alfalfa has started. The Butte County extension educator reports lower elevation cereals are mostly harvested and potato vines are starting to be killed. The Franklin County extension educator reports grasshoppers are still a problem. Some growers are treating them and others are not.

### Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

The Caribou County extension educator reports cattle are still out on range and range conditions are dry.

**Crop Progress Table**

Percentages	2012	2011	Avg.
Potato Vines Dying/Killed	34	9	22
Oats Harvested for Grain	72	50	53
Onions Harvested	20	9	9
Dry Peas Harvested	48	12	54
Dry Beans Harvested	10	--	17
Corn Harvested for Silage	1	--	2
Lentils Harvested	31	6	40
Mint 1 <sup>st</sup> Cutting	88	73	80

**Condition Table**

Percentages	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Spring Wheat	1	2	33	56	8
Potatoes	--	--	4	61	35
Irr. Water Supply	10	8	23	50	9
Range and Pasture	13	31	33	23	--

**Crop Progress District Table**

Crop	North			Southwest			South-Central			East			State		
	2012	2011	Avg	2012	2011	Avg	2012	2011	Avg	2012	2011	Avg	2012	2011	Avg
Winter Wheat															
Harvested .....	91	43	74	100	98	99	100	93	89	89	66	76	93	63	79
Spring Wheat															
Harvested .....	43	6	41	99	85	92	95	69	76	64	30	35	66	31	44
Barley															
Harvested .....	70	5	44	100	94	96	91	60	71	69	27	35	75	36	46
Potato															
Harvested .....	NA	NA	NA	33	15	16	8	--	4	1	--	--	5	1	2
Alfalfa															
2 <sup>st</sup> Cutting.....	56	78	83	100	100	100	100	100	100	93	87	86	94	93	94
3 <sup>st</sup> Cutting.....	NA	NA	NA	71	72	67	90	26	59	12	2	9	53	28	40

Avg (2007 – 2011); NA = Very small percentage of acreage in district.

Find agricultural statistics for your county, State, and the Nation at [www.nass.usda.gov](http://www.nass.usda.gov).

# Weather Data for the Week Ending Sunday, August 26, 2012 <sup>1/</sup>

Station	Weekly Air Temperature				Weekly Precipitation		Since Mar 1 Precipitation		Growing Degree Days Since March 1		
	Hi	Lo	Avg	DFN	Total Inches	DFN	Total Inches	DFN	Base 40 Total	Base 50 Total	Base 50 DFN
<b>North</b>											
Coeur D' Alene	93	45	67	-2	0.34	-0.01	18.55	8.55	3025	1678	-59
Grangeville	91	42	68	5	0.00	-0.34	13.87	0.51	3024	1670	368
Lewiston	102	53	76	4	0.00	-0.21	8.73	2.65	4184	2602	321
Porthill	93	41	64	1	0.06	-0.25	12.81	4.37	2767	1437	40
Winchester	89	36	63	3	0.00	-0.28	14.39	1.35	2373	1207	321
<b>Southwest</b>											
Boise	98	42	71	1	0.00	-0.14	5.47	0.39	3919	2304	104
Emmett	95	46	71	3	0.05	-0.09	5.29	0.35	3913	2363	236
Glenns Ferry	95	43	73	4	0.00	-0.10	3.59	-0.31	3996	2450	315
Grandview	98	39	72	2	0.00	-0.07	1.47	-1.80	3961	2352	-39
Nampa	91	47	71	2	0.00	-0.14	3.16	-1.24	4032	2426	209
Parma	95	44	72	4	0.00	-0.14	3.19	-1.60	3984	2391	289
<b>South Central</b>											
Fairfield	88	28	64	2	0.02	-0.12	4.84	-0.91	2615	1380	159
Malta	96	39	67	1	0.01	-0.21	3.68	-2.62	3266	1822	152
Picabo	88	36	66	4	0.08	-0.06	5.06	-0.23	3053	1727	402
Rupert	92	38	66	0	0.30	0.16	3.68	-0.83	3367	1886	168
Twin Falls	88	43	68	3	0.26	0.12	3.83	-0.73	3645	2117	476
<b>East</b>											
Aberdeen	91	38	67	4	0.03	-0.11	2.25	-2.51	3217	1779	318
Ashton	89	33	64	4	0.05	-0.23	6.02	-3.20	2663	1353	234
Fort Hall	92	35	67	2	0.05	-0.16	4.82	-1.39	3314	1843	207
Idaho Falls	90	46	69	5	0.02	-0.16	3.18	-2.44	3392	1926	386
Lava Hot Springs	89	35	66	0	0.00	-0.21	5.95	-0.26	3097	1714	78
Montevideo	88	35	65	2	0.05	-0.09	2.58	-2.91	2840	1486	22
Preston	91	41	71	5	0.00	-0.21	4.12	-3.37	3544	2058	347
Rexburg	90	35	65	4	0.01	-0.20	3.21	-3.66	2845	1457	264

1/ Summary based on NWS data. DFN = Departure From Normal. Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) in inches. Air Temperatures in Degrees Fahrenheit. Weather data prepared by AWIS, Inc. For more weather information visit [www.awis.com](http://www.awis.com) or call 1-888-798-9955.

*NASS is currently conducting our annual September surveys on crops and livestock. In the first two weeks of September, NASS is surveying U.S. small grains growers for final production. We are also asking hog producers about their summer pig crop, next year's farrowing intentions, and current inventory. The responses will provide the foundation for 2012 production estimates. All participating farmers should respond. Your information matters!*